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60 years of proud service

Nearly 60 years ago, the U.S. Air Force became an independent service. This year, as we commemorate the 60th anniversary of our proud service, we also reaffirm our commitment to today's fight. We celebrate where we've come from to get where we are today — evolving into a service of Airmen warriors who have the most advanced weapons systems available to them.

Airman magazine's almanac, "The Book 2007," provides a comprehensive look at

today's Air Force. Published annually since 1992, The Book continues to be one of the most popular issues.

This year's almanac introduces you to the Air Force's leadership; recognizes the 12 Outstanding Airmen of the Year; includes detailed information about each major command's organizational structure; highlights the more than 30 field operating and direct reporting units; includes an "A-Z" listing of the Air Force's

weapons inventory, space, missile and air base defense assets; and provides you a graphical snapshot of the Air Force budget, personnel demographics, and awards and decorations.

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— Airman staff